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SUBJECT: THE SEAL HUNT: US CONGRESSMEN TO AID

GREENPEACE

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1. CP STORY IN MAR 6 HALIFAX CHRONICLE-HERALD REPORTS THAT TWO MEMBERS OF US HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, LEO J. RYAN (D-CA) AND JAMES M JEFFORDS (R-VT) WILL BE AMONG "SPECIAL GUESTS" ACCOMPANYING GREENPEACE FOUNDATION PRESIDENT PATRICK MOORE TO ST ANTHONY, NFLD, TO PROTEST ANNUAL SEAL HUNT. IN ADDITION TO PAMELA SUE MARTIN, MENTIONED REFTTEL, OTHER SPECIAL GUESTS WERE NAMED IN ARTICLE AS US ACTRESS TIPPI HEDREN, DUTCH ACTRESS MONIQUE VAN DER VEN, SACHEEN LITTLEFEATHER (AMERINDIAN ACTIVIST WHO REFUSED OSCAR ON BEHALF OF MARLON BRANDO IN 1973), AND A 76-YR-OLD SPIRITUAL LEADER WHO USES ONLY THE NAME SEMU.

2. GREENPEACE GROUP WIL BE TRANSPORTED IN 18-PASSENGER EXECUTIVE TURBOPROP PROVIDED BY ED DALY, PRESIDENT OF WORLD AIRWAYS OF OAKLAND, CA. FLIGHT WILP BEGIN MAR 8 IN SAN FRANCISCO AND WILL UNCLASSIFIED

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GO TO WASHDC TO PICK UP CONGRESSMEN AND TO HOLD PRESS CONFERENCE THERE MAR 9. PLANE WILL THEN GO TO OTTAWA FOR PRESS CONFERENCE THERE MAR 10. ACCORDING TO MOORE,

"THE AMERICANS WILL ASK THE CANADIAN GOVERNMENT TO TAKE NOTICE OF THE US MARINE MAMMALS PROTECTION ACT WHICH

FORBIDS THE KILLING OF ANY MARINE
MAMMAL UNDER THE AGE OF EIGHT MONTHS
THE PROHIBITS THE IMPORTATION OF SEAL
PRODUCTS INTO THE US."

3. PLANE WILL PROCEED TO GANDER, NFLD, LATER IN DAY
AND WILL REMAIN OVERNIGHT THERE, PROCEEDING ONWARD TO
ST ANTHONY ON MAR 11. THREE GREENPEACE HELICOPTERS
AND 35 GREENPEACERS WILL BE IN ST ANTHONY AND MOORE
PLANS TAKE CONGRESSMEN VIA HELICOPTER TO SCENE OF HUNT
IF PERMITS TO VISIT HUNT ARE APPROVED BY GOC S FISHERIES
MINISTER. PERMITS APPLIED FOR ABOUT A FORTNIGHT AGO
BUT ARE NOT YET APPROVED.
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